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To: Consumer Directed Services Agencies (CDSA)

Subject: Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS)

Provider Services

Information Letter No. 04-39

CDS Spending Limit Changes Effective September 1, 2004

Effective September 1, 2004, the spending limits for attendant/employee compensation and administrative costs have changed. The new percentage allowed for each category is listed below:

Program	Minimum % for Attendant Compensation	Maximum % for Administrative Costs
CBA - All Services	73.31%	26.69%
PHC - Non-Priority	77.81%	22.19%
PHC - Priority	77.52%	22.48%
CLASS - All Services	73.55%	26.45%
DB-MD - All Services	73.55%	26.45%
CMPAS	77.81%	22.19%

All Consumer Directed Service Agencies (CDSA's) must complete a new budget for each client, if either category in the current budget exceeds the new percentages.

Community Living Assistance and Support Services (CLASS) CDSA's must begin using the attached budget workbook upon receipt of this letter for budget revisions and initial and annual Individual Service Plan budgeting. The new budget workbook is attached.

Community Based Alternatives (CBA), Client Managed Personal Attendant Services (CMPAS), and Primary Home Care (PHC) CDSA's should contact their contract managers if they have any questions. CLASS CDSA's should contact Tommy Ford at (512) 438-3689. Deaf-Blind/Multiple Disabilities (DB-MD) CDSA's should contact Cindy Eilertson at (512) 438-2622. Contract managers should contact Rudy Gomez for CBA CDS at (512) 438-3740, Janice Wallace for CMPAS CDS at (512) 438-2188, or Sarah Hambrick for PHC CDS at (512) 438-2578.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

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Attachment (MS Excel Format)